

IOWA VERTICAL INFRASTRUCTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**October 7th, 2009
Meeting Minutes**

The Governor's Vertical Infrastructure Advisory Committee met at IWD, 1000 E. Grand, Des Moines IA.

Call to Order and Roll Call

Those who were in attendance at the site or by conference call are the following:

Dennis Bennett, Vertical Infrastructure Committee Member
Eve Palmer, Vertical Infrastructure Committee Member
Tara Barney, Vertical Infrastructure Committee Member (Via Conference Call)
Tom Nichols, Vertical Infrastructure Committee Member
Gary Benshoof, Vertical Infrastructure Committee Member
Dan Prymek, Vertical Infrastructure Committee Member
Mary Krier, Vertical Infrastructure Committee Member

Dean Ibsen, Dept. of Administrative Services, General Services Enterprise
Nick Smith, Dept. of Administrative Services, General Services Enterprise
Mickel Edwards, Department of Corrections
Pat Lantz, Department of Administrative Services, General Services Enterprise
Ray Walton, Department of Administrative Services, Director
Kris Houston, Iowa Public Television
Lee Vannoy, Office of Energy Independence
Kris Macy, Iowa Workforce Development
Karalyn Kuhns, Department of Human Services
Paul Carlson, Department of Administrative Services, General Services Enterprise
Captain Mark Probst, Department of Public Safety, Iowa State Patrol
Ken Thornton, Department of Administrative Services, General Services Enterprise
Tim Ryburn, Department of Administrative Services, General Services Enterprise
Brian Browning, Terrace Hill
Jerome Thompson, Department of Cultural Affairs
Stephen Hasenour, Department of Human Services, Independence
Steve LeClere, Department of Corrections, Anamosa State Penitentiary
Heather Hackbarth, Department of Management
Kathy Shannon, Department of Veterans Affairs, Iowa Veterans Home
Deb Hanus, Department of Human Services, Iowa Juvenile Home
Karen Connell, Department of Human Services, Iowa Juvenile Home

Introductions and Welcome

Dennis Bennett opened the meeting and asked everyone introduce themselves. Tara Barney is on the conference call.

Joe Walsh, Deputy Director of IWD welcomed everyone on behalf of Director Buck. Kris Macy gave evacuation procedures. Dean Ibsen made some housekeeping announcements in regards to lunch and handouts.

Questions and Comments from Committee Members

None.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Tom Nichols moved to approve the minutes of the September 9 meeting. Eve Palmer seconded. Motion carried.

Old business – Nick Smith reported that the Focus Group for the Program Evaluation project will be held on Thursday the 8th.

November 19th, and December 9th will be the next meeting dates. The third Thursday however, will be the meeting date in the future except for the December meeting, and the January date requires further discussion.

There were no questions and comments from committee members.

Introduction to Capital Project Requests

Dean Ibsen explained the process for Capital Requests. He said that in October the committee tries to look at all the projects submitted to the Department of Management for review by the Governor's office and prioritizes them from the perspective of the committee and the executive order.

Corrections: Mickel Edwards

Requests include project management funding for the existing projects for new construction and renovation, and additional community based correction projects. The program for community based facilities will be more intense so there is less of a residual rate of re-offense. The third item is the capital major maintenance request. It's important for the Board of Corrections to know that they continue requesting major maintenance funding for their facilities. See handouts for more information.

Dan Prymek asked if DOC has already hired project managers for these projects at the prisons. Mickel Edwards said that they hired these project managers in the last year. A construction specialist takes them from the programs all the way to the construction.

Dennis Bennett asked how the \$28 million in major maintenance requests is calculated. Mickel Edwards said the work is broken down into 5 different categories including life, safety, critically deferred, deferred, etc. Only 5 or 10 of the projects out of the 40 that are proposed are ultimately included in requests to the Vertical Infrastructure Advisory Committee.

Veterans Affairs: Kathy Shannon

The new construction at the Vet's Home is featured in the handouts. They are trying for LEED gold. Costs have been left out of the handouts. The first project is the sidewalks that need to be repaired. The second project is the remodeling of the cottages. The third is replacement of trash compactors (2). The fourth is a resident smoking lounge and the fifth is replacement of existing door closures and update automatic doors.

Dennis Bennett asked what would happen if the Capital Requests do not get approved.

Public Safety: Captain Mark Probst

There were 4 projects requested –

1. Consolidate Posts 9 & 10 in NE Iowa along with Cedar Falls and Cedar Rapids communications facilities.
2. Replace Post 15 Facility in Des Moines along with statewide property/evidence/property evidence rooms in State.
3. Replace Post 5 facility in Cherokee.
4. Replace Post 14 Facility in Ottumwa.

Iowa Public Television: Kris Houston

There were two requests.

1. Dubuque Translator Facility – there is a population in Dubuque that can't receive IPTV without a new translator facility. \$800k.

2. Building Purchase – The lease on the office building adjacent to the headquarters in Johnston expires in 2012. The savings would help them out with upcoming budget issues.

Cultural Affairs: Jerome Thompson

These are the same request that they had last year. See handouts for more information.

1. Iowa Great Places
2. Continuation of \$200k for Iowa Battle Flags
3. \$80k request for the major and deferred maintenance at historic sites. Montauk and Gothic House are two of the sites.

Iowa Law Enforcement Academy: Penny Westfall was not present.

Human Services: Karalyn Kuhns

Karalyn referenced to two documents that are in the packets for the committee members. She said Steve Hasenour will present for Independence and Karen Connell will present for the Iowa Juvenile Home.

See handouts for more information.

There are 13 projects in 2011 totaling over 22 million. Projects identified are for the Iowa Juvenile Home, Independence MHI, Cherokee MHI, Civil Commitment Unit for Sexual Offenders at Cherokee, State Training School at Eldora and Glenwood Resource Center.

Karen Connell presented for the Iowa Juvenile Home. She passed out a PowerPoint presentation that illustrated some of the issues they have at IJH.

Steve H presented for Independence Mental Health Institute.

Two most critical projects in 2011.

- 1) Witte Roof Replacement – built in 1940's.
Cost is \$600k and is in two phases.
- 2) Reynolds Masonry Repair – built in 1903. Building is half done. So this is for phase 2 of the project. Phase II is for \$1.3 million.

Administrative Services: Ken Thornton

Mercy Capitol improvements and operations have been prioritized over the Major Maintenance and Routine Maintenance. Ken said that we need to augment the cost of Mercy Capitol while we are making the improvements. Improvements at Mercy Capitol will pay for themselves eventually, because the cost of leased space of the Capitol Complex is enormous.

See handouts for more information.

Terrace Hill: Brian Browning

There are two requests, one of which is major maintenance and one is historic preservation. A significant amount of the first request goes to accessibility. Arvid Osterberg from ISU has helped with many of the issues at Terrace Hill. The issues are external and internal access. There will not be major changes to the interior. The elevator is for example not going to meet ADAAG standards. They also need to improve restroom access.

Iowa Workforce Development: Kris Macy

IWD's requests are rolled in with DAS requests. One of the DAS requests, security system improvements will replace current Toye system components with Andover components. Both systems are now in use in the building.

Alcoholic Beverages: no one presented.

Vertical Infrastructure: Dean Ibsen

The \$40 million request for major maintenance will continue.

Eve Palmer asked if there is a list of buildings for the the demolition list. Dean said that we are putting that together and that we will talk about this at the next meeting.

Dan Prymek asked about the buildings that are on the demolition lists. He wanted to know if they are being heated or utilities were being paid for. He also asked if these buildings have critical needs that should be addressed until demolition funding is available. Dean said that it depends. He said the Focus Group could be asked whether there are other options for using the \$150,000, such as securing the buildings or improving safety in lieu of demolishing the buildings. In March and April of 2010 we should look to see if we should make some readjustments.

Discussion on Prioritization:

Dean Ibsen asked the committee to identify their top priorities. Staff will propose project rankings for discussion at the next meeting, and for presentation to the Governor's office as part of the Annual Report.

Dan Prymek said he liked what the Iowa State Patrol had done in consolidation of buildings and properties. He said this works better than just putting Band-Aids on buildings.

Dennis Bennett said he would like the committee to focus on replacement of buildings that will save money instead of just putting more money into buildings that don't have much residual value. He also said the consolidation of projects is something he wants to focus on as well.

Dennis Bennett commented on the \$150,000 in major maintenance money that has been allocated for demolition. He asked if there was any salvage value for some of the buildings they want to demolish. There have been cases for contractors will come in with the low bid on projects such as roofs because they re-sell the tiles or clay. Dean Ibsen said this has been considered in the past with mixed success.

Ratification of Funding Adjustments:

There are four items on the list.

- 1) Clarinda Emergency Tunnel Repairs—\$346,304 becomes unallocated after reimbursement from the Executive Council.
- 2) Public Safety Patrol Post 15 Roof—Net zero change.
- 3) Eldora Storm Damage vs. Electronic Door Locks \$300,000.00—Net zero change.
- 4) IWD Window Replacement vs. Asbestos Abatement—Net zero change.

Tony Schmitz discussed the windows at the Workforce Development building. He is requesting that we pull money from the IWD abatement money that is not being used and apply it to Phase II of the window replacement at IWD.

Dan Prymek made a motion to approve. Gary Benshoof seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Other Business: The committee decided that the next meeting will be Nov 19th at the Iowa Juvenile Home in Toledo.

Dean Ibsen discussed the work underway to update the 2000 Capitol Complex Master Plan and described what the 2010 Capitol Complex Master Plan might look like. He talked buildings under consideration for replacement, potential sites for new buildings, parking sites and proposed areas for green space and view corridors.

Dennis Bennett adjourned the meeting.

Tour of the Iowa Workforce Development building began.